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FROM: RICHARD T. KENNEDY BRENT SCOWCROFT To:

SECRETARY KISSINGER FIR:

FOLLOWING FOR APPROVAL IS PROPOSED CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON ON DEATH OF PERON. HAS BEEN CLEARED BY GERGEN'S OFFICE. WE WILL SEND TO EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES FOR DELIVERY WHEN YOUR APPROVAL RECEIVED.

ATJACHMENT:

TELEGRAM

TO: BUENDS AIRES

FOLLOWING MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO MRS. PERON FROM PRESIDENT NIXON

DEAR MADAME PRESIDENT:

IT IS WITH PROFOUND SADNESS THAT MRS. NIXON AND I LEARNED OF THE DEATH OF YOUR HUSBAND, PRESIDENT JUAN DOMINGO PERON. HIS PASSING REPRESENTS A GRIEVAUS LOSS NOT ONLY TO THOSE MILLIAMS OF HIS COUNTRYMEN WHO MAILED HIM ASSTHEIR LEADER, BUT TO ALL THE AMERICAS.

PLEASE ACCEPT ON OUR OWN BEHALF AND THAT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON YOUR DEEP PERSONAL LOSS AND THAT. WE SEND YOU DUR BEST WISHES AS OF THE GREAT ARGENTINE NATION. YOU CARRY ON THE HEAVY RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNMENT WHICH YOU HAVE ASSUMED.

RICHARD NIXON

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JULY 19 1974

TO: GENERAL SCOWCROFT

RON ZIEGLER JERRY WARREN

ROM: COLONEL KENNEDY

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL PUBLIC STATEMENT ON HEATH OF PERON
BELOW IS PROPOSED TEXT OF PUBLIC STATEMENT FOR RELEASE IN MOSCOW.
PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ANY CHANGES AND TIME OF RELEASE.
GERGEN'S OFFICE HAS CLEARED.

BEGIN TEXT: MRS. NIXON AND I ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE SENT A MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE TO THE WIFE OF FORMER PRESIDENT PERON. WE ARE SADDENED BY THE DEATH OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, JUAN DOMINGO PERON, WHO WAS A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION TO HIS COUNTRYMEN. AT A TIME WHEN OTHERS WOULD HAP BEEN CONTENT TO RETIRE FROM PUBLIC LIFE HE ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE TO RETURN TO HIS COUNTRY TO GUIDE AND ASSIST THE ARGENTINE PEOPLE. HE DEDICATED THE LAST YEARS OF HIS LIFE TO THIS TASK.

END TEXT.

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